

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1035  
By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Elizabeth Trainer  
Graham of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing Elizabeth Trainer Graham; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Trainer Graham was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Somerville, Tennessee, Elizabeth Graham was a highly respected member of her community; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Leslie E. and Pauline Smith Trainer, Elizabeth Graham was born on January 28, 1910; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Graham married Earl J. Graham in 1927, and their marriage was blessed with two children, W. E. Graham, Sr., and Betty Ann Pulliam; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Graham served with acumen and alacrity as a switchboard operator for Bell Telephone and a pharmacist's assistant at Wetzler Drug Store and Rhea Drug Store, in which positions she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Elizabeth Graham put her faith in God, and she always treated others as she wanted to be treated; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to her family, Mrs. Graham always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Graham is survived by her two children, W. E. Graham, Sr., and Betty Ann Pulliam; three grandchildren, Bill Graham Hixon, Jr., Ann Graham Hixon, and Mimi

Pulliam Anderson; four great-grandchildren, Jessica Graham, Melissa Graham, Caley Rhea, and Colin Anderson; and three great-great-grandchildren, Will Rhea, Elizabeth Rhea, and John Hayden Anderson; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Graham exemplified the spirit of volunteerism and commitment to service that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Graham leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Elizabeth Trainer Graham, reflecting fondly upon her stalwart commitment to living an examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend our deepest sympathies and offer our condolences to Mrs. Graham's family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.